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Dear Mr. Fields:

I am writing to follow-up a telephone call you had with Solutia's consultant, Mr. Robert Hurley, The Accord Group, and to confirm our meeting with you for Wednesday, June 1, 1998 at 1:00 PM. Joining me at our meeting will be Mr. Brent Gilhousen, my colleague from Solutia's St. Louis headquarters, as well Mr. Hurley and his associate Mr. Phil Cummings.

We thank you for setting aside time to meet with us. We would like to discuss the status of EPA's Superfund administrative reforms and applicability to a portion of the Sauget Area One site (Region V) that Solutia has "inherited" as a result of our spin-off in September 1997 from Monsanto.

Two keystones of EPA's administrative reforms deal with fair allocation of remediation costs based on the actual responsibility of each party, as well as, encouraging cooperative, voluntary remediation. Application of these reforms can significantly advance remediation progress by avoiding litigation so more money is spent on cleanups and less on lawyers. Solutia is in harmony with EPA in this regard, and where we are involved with remediation activities we strive to proactively cooperate with all remediation authorities and the surrounding community. We feel that such an approach results in greater benefits for the environment and surrounding communities than through costly, time consuming litigation.

Solutia has some constructive ideas for remediation of the complex multi-party aggregated site referenced above in Sauget, Illinois. We would like to outline and explore with you the applicability of several of the administrative reforms to that site which may prove mutually beneficial to the State of Illinois, EPA Region V and Solutia - thereby avoiding potentially costly and counterproductive delays.

Please feel free to call me at (202) 822-1690 if you have any questions or need further information prior to our meeting.

Sincerely,

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